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To My Fellow Illinois 14th District Republicans,

My Name is **Anthony L. Catella** of St. Charles, Illinois, Precinct 18 and District 14. I am a candidate for Congress, of the 14th Congressional District. Throughout this campaign, I have walked and ridden in parades and I've enjoyed, waving to crowds of friendly people, shaking hands, knocking on doors and introducing myself to you my fellow citizens, asking for your signature on my petition for the ballot. I've had no trouble at all telling you, who I am and what I stand for. I can with confidence, look you in the eye and say "My name is **Anthony Catella** and **I'm running for Congress**".

I am running to stand boldly and publicly for the right principles on your behalf. I stand for the humble and just use of power, bi-partisanship, term limits and order with justice under law.

This campaign as all campaigns are, is the essence of our representative and popular government. There are seven of my fellow citizens running for this district, men and women who like myself are concerned and committed to run for office. All seven of us candidates are among the 1% of the population who dare to make the effort to run for office.

Many of you, my fellow citizens may well have determined in your minds for whom you will vote on **March 17, 2020**. This is your right as citizens in our free and popular government, as handed down to us by the founding fathers.

I am simply writing to ask you to kindly consider voting for me, and give you reasons why you would want to vote for me.

It is February, the new year 2020 is here. The super-bowl is over and I hope your team won! As we now move into the last month of the primary campaign we move toward the date of an electoral "super-bowl" if you will, the primary election **Tuesday, March 17, 2020!**

I ask you to tune into **youtube.com** and type my name on the search bar: **Anthony Catella**. Then you may listen to one of my many messages on air in which I share with you who I am, where I come from, what I stand for and believe in. I believe in principles that are good, decent, just and redemptive. A principle that is good is a balanced budget. A principle that is decent is health care that our citizens can afford, a principle that is redemptive is that as human beings made in the divine image we all have equal dignity under the law. A principle that is just is we all we have an equal chance with equal opportunity, this does not mean everyone is the same in ability, talent or wealth it does mean that all of us have equal opportunity to develop our talents and abilities and create wealth.

I am confident that you will concur with many or even all of that which I have to say as the considered viewpoint of a fellow citizen.

As I will on March 8th celebrate a birthday which gives me now as many years as the flag has stars (50), I humbly hope on **March 17, 2020** (St. Patrick's Day) you'll go to the polls and give me a victory as big as this 14th Congressional District of Illinois! **March 17th** is a special day for me because it was on this date one score and five years ago (25 years ago) in 1995 when I graduated from Army basic training and Military Police School, at Fort McClellan, AL and thus commenced my career in service to this great county of ours. It has been an honor to do my duty for my country. Duty, Honor, Country, these three beloved words are my guide posts in life.

As a Soldier and as a Priest I have been guided by a sense of duty to honor my country and above all give glory to God.

I am an avid volunteer in such activities as The Civil Air Patrol. I am particularly proud of my State commission as a captain in the 2nd Brigade of the Indiana Guard Reserve.

I am determined to recommission in the U.S. Army Reserve and continue to serve our country as an **Army Chaplain**. I am motivated by a sense of duty and responsibility.

You see my dear citizens, I believe in service to the ideals of faith and freedom. Now why would you vote for **Anthony Catella**? For one thing, I served under the stars and stripes in the United States Army and I can serve under this same stars and stripes of ours in the United States Congress.

I am a candidate who so far, is not running on a single campaign donation. I've been self funding my campaign. Let's make history together and vote for a candidate who is running not merely on money, but on the vote of the American citizen. It doesn't cost a single penny to vote, we do not even have to pay a poll tax anymore, thanks to the 24th amendment to the constitution. Yet it costs millions to run for office. I have not spent millions. I seek your confidence and with your help we can make history and elect a man who is truly one of the people. I work for a living and I volunteer. I now volunteer to be your next Congressman. As I volunteered to be a soldier, I consider a term in Congress as an enlistment of service. I am enlisting to be your soldier in Congress and to fight your battles. As my commander your job is to give me my marching orders and I will move out smartly and draw fire. As a former Priest, I have experience with shepherding a flock. This district could be as my parish and you my fellow citizens as my parishioners. Many of our fellow citizens have been concerned over the years about the growing influence of government, high taxes and a diminishing of individual liberty. My big job in Congress, should you elect me, will be to see that our liberty and our freedom remain as strong and as sound as they were when our founding fathers signed the Declaration of Independence and thence went forth to fight and win our war for American liberty and freedom.

I have been a soldier and a Priest. These two callings best represent God and country, faith and freedom. God and country have been the two lodestars which have always inspired and guided me. A soldier and a priest are willing to lay down their lives for their Country and their God. I've been both. This laying down of one's life does not always mean physical death, although there are times when it does, it mostly means living for others first and for self, second. This is the essence of service above self.

I've been ever guided by the seven Army values; loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage.

Again the question: Why would you vote for **Anthony Catella**? Consider the question.

I stand for jobs, integrity and the interests of the 14th Congressional District. I believe in honesty and that transparency and solid judgment are essential qualities to lead with integrity. I conceive myself to be a citizen soldier statesman, man of faith dedicated to the American way of truth and justice and I am honor and duty

bound to fulfill this vitally needed role.

As a taxpayer and as one who is employed in a small business and retail store, I believe that **jobs** and **lower taxes** bring forth **fiscal stability** and these issues are at the heart of your interests as citizens of this district.

I believe above all in faith and freedom. Faith because we are believers in the Almighty God. Freedom, because that same Father God of ours has endowed us with the inalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness and has blessed us with the abilities of intellect and will to govern ourselves with reason and justice.

We are a nation standing rock solid upon the granite foundation of the ideals of faith and freedom, ideals defended by heroes named **Abraham Lincoln, Adlai Stevenson, Everett Dirksen** and **Ronald Reagan**, and the heroes from countless, families such as yours, and mine who have themselves rendered service to the nation.

We stand upon this rock solid foundation of faith and freedom which has made the United States of America, one Nation under God. This above all guarantees our peace, prosperity and our progress. If we ever forget we're a "Nation under God", said Ronald Reagan, "we'll then be a nation gone under," surely my fellow citizens we must guard against such a fate and ensure a destiny of dignity under a sun of glory that spreads and scatters its circling light upon everyone, everywhere.

Having thus declaimed the forgoing sentiments to you my fellow citizens, I ask that when you go to the polls on **Primary day, Tuesday March 17, 2020**, at your polling places in your precincts, that you will kindly consider giving me your hand, your voice and your vote. I will return your trust and should I become the nominee, for congress, I shall go forward to win in **November and in January 2021, with your anointing**, take my oath of office as your Congressman, an oath identical to the one I took as a Soldier. My fellow Americans and Illinoisans, I will be your voice, your hand and your vote, faithfully serving you as your Representative in the Congress of the United States of America.

Sincerely,



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